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## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

## 1942.

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Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Littlewood and Gentlemen,

The following is a Report, again much abbreviated, on certain selected aspects of the Health and Health Services of the District for the year 1942.

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## VITAL STATISTICS.

| | 1940 | 1941 | 1942 |
|---|---|---|---|
| BIRTH RATE per 1000 of the population per annum | 18.0 | 18.4 | 18.9 |
| DEATH RATE " " " " " " " " | 12.1 | 10.0 | 9.3 |
| INFANTILE MORTALITY RATE (Deaths of infants under one year of age per 1000 live births) | 73.2 | 64.6 | 54.7 |

## MATERNAL MORTALITY.

| Numbers registered | | Rate per 1,000 Total Births (live and still) | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| From Sepsis 1942 | From other causes 1942 | 1940 | 1941 | 1942 |
| 0 | 3 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 3.6 |

## OTHER SELECTED DEATHS. ⊖

| Numbers Registered | 1940 | 1941 | 1942 |
|---|---|---|---|
| From Cancer | 65 | 52 | 63 |
| From Diarrhoea (under 2 years) | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| From Influenza | 18 | 11 | 6 |

⊖ Deaths of non-civilians (males) are excluded.

## NOTIFIABLE DISEASES.

| DISEASE | Total cases notified | | | Cases admitted to Hospital. | Total Deaths * | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1940 | 1941 | 1942 | 1942 | 1940 | 1941 | 1942 |
| Scarlet Fever | 83 | 100 | 174 | 123 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Diphtheria | 47 | 36 | 13 | 12 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid) | 2 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Puerperal Pyrexia | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pneumonia | 31 | 35 | 33 | - | 34 | 20 | 20 |
| Tuberculosis - Pulmonary | 42 | 44 | 48 | 34 | 23 | 24 | 24 |
| " Other forms | 9 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 2 |
| Erysipelas | 11 | 16 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Meningococcal Meningitis | 13 | 18 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 0 |
| Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis | 0 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ophthalmia Neonatorum | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Measles | 883 | 407 | 162 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Whooping Cough | 103 | 128 | 64 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| Dysentery | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ø Encephalitis Lethargica | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |

## DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

| | Under 5 | Between 5 & 15 |
|---|---|---|
| Estimated number of children in the area at 31st December 1942. | 3,630 | 5,800 |
| Percentage of child population immunised at 31st December 1942. | 41% † | 70% |

* Deaths of non-civilians (males) are excluded.
ø Death after illness of many years' duration.
† Since immunisation is not carried out in children under one year of age, this figure cannot exceed about 80%

## SCABIES

| | |
|---|---|
| Cases notified during the year | 253 |
| Cases treated at the Council's cleansing station | 198 |
| Attendances at the Council's cleansing station | 461 |
| Cases removed to hospital | 3 |
| Cases treated elsewhere (usually by own doctor) | 55 |
| Cases examined and reported clean | 253 * |

## MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE.

### Health Visiting.

| | From Beeston Centre | From Stapleford Centre | Totals |
|---|---|---|---|
| Infants under one year visited for the first time | 548 | 253 | 801 |
| Revisits to infants | 1354 | 917 | 2271 |
| Total visits to children of one to five years | 3569 | 2221 | 5790 |
| Expectant and nursing mothers visited for the first time | 167 | 63 | 230 |
| Revisits to mothers | 95 | 60 | 155 |
| Total visits | 5733 | 3514 | 9247 |

### ATTENDANCES AT THE CENTRES

| | Beeston | Stapleford | Chilwell | Totals |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| By infants and young children | 11501 | 4488 | 815 | 16804 |
| By expectant and nursing mothers | 295 | 53 | 6 | 354 |
| Total Attendances | 11796 | 4541 | 821 | 17158 |

### EAR, NOSE AND THROAT DEPARTMENT

Number of children operated on for Tonsils and/or Adenoids ..... 55

### ARTIFICIAL SUNLIGHT

| | Beeston | Stapleford | Total. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Treatments | 1150 | 445 | 1595 |

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* Some of these cases ( notified late in 1942) were examined and reported clean in 1943.

ISSUES OF VITAMIN PREPARATIONS.

| | Beeston & Chilwell | Stapleford | Totals. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Fruit Preparations (various) | 11309 | 6199 | 17508 |
| Cod Liver Oil (6 ozs) | 3688 | 1783 | 5471 |

I remain,

Your obedient servant,

C.H. WARNER.

14th September, 1943.